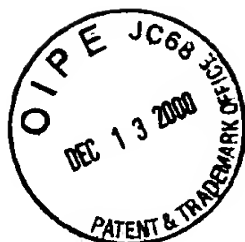


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Applicant: Koshiro SHIMAZU et al.  
Appl. No.: 09/197,499 Group: 1754  
Filed: November 23, 1998 Examiner: N. NGUYEN  
For: RANEY CATALYST, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING IT  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision dated June 13, 2000 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 1, 5-10, 18-21.

- ☒ The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.

The applicant(s) hereby petition(s) for an extension of three (3) month(s) pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a).

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

- ☐ NO extensions of time have been previously obtained for responding to the Final Rejection. Thus a fee of \$0.00 is required for the full period of the above-requested extension of time.

- ☒ An extension of three (3) month(s) for responding to the Final Rejection is being filed concurrently herewith. Therefore, no additional extension fees are required.

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☒ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

The Government fee for filing a Notice of Appeal to the Board of Appeals is calculated as follows:

☐ Large entity - \$310.00

☒ Small Entity - \$155.00

Therefore, the TOTAL FEE due for the filing of this Notice of Appeal is \$155.00.

Payment of the above TOTAL FEE is being made in the following manner:

☒ A check in the amount of \$155.00 is enclosed.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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